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For : METHOD FOR LIGHTING-AND VIEW-ANGLE-INVARIANT
FACE DESCRIPTION WITH FIRST-AND SECOND-ORDER
EIGENFEATURES

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were previously filed on April 14, 2004, January 30, 2004, and March 18, 2002, Applicant hereby submits a copy of a Notice of Reasons for Rejection that was mailed on December 7, 2004, with respect to patent family member Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-371005, in which the following documents were cited:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-101437, together with an English language abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-022961, together with an English language abstract of the same and patent family member European Patent Application Publication No. EP 1 087 533;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-055444, together with an English language abstract of the same, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 5,802,208; and

O. HORI, "Face Detection in Various Images Based on a Statistics Approach", Computer Vision and Image Media, July 25, 1997, pp. 139-146, together with an English language abstract of the same.

The relevance of each document, as ascertained by the Japanese Examiner are set forth in the Notice of Reasons for Rejection.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), a copy of the U.S. patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.


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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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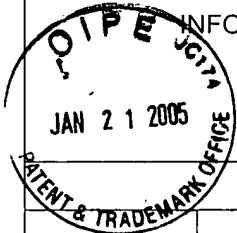
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